

History 202. The History of Modern Latin America

Introduction and Overview (week 1)

Monday, 21 January **What is the History of Latin America?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 1-46.

Wednesday, 23 January **How was Latin America colonized and how did it become independent?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 49-147.

Friday, 25 January **How did Latin America Overcome the Post-Colonial Blues?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 149-215.

Section 1. Tumultuous New Nations (weeks 2-4)

Monday, 28 January **What are the contours of Latin America's 20th Century?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 217-340.

Wednesday, 30 January **Why Is Latin America so Different from the United States?**
"So Close, So Different." e-reserve.

Friday, 1 February **How Did Latin American Politics Take Shape?**
Uribe, "The Birth of a Public Sphere."

Week 3

Monday, 4 February **So What was the Problem? An Example of Deep Divisions**
Map Quiz
Lasso, "Race War and Nation."

Wednesday, 6 February **What is an Example? Mexico**
Wasserman, 3-90.

Friday, 8 February **What did Argentine Liberals Think?**
Facundo, 104-176.

Friday, 8 February **Paper Topics are Due.**

Section 2. Building Order (weeks 4-5)

Week 4

Monday, 11 February **What did Argentine Liberals Think?**
Facundo, 104-176.

Wednesday, 13 February **How did Argentine Liberals Adjust?**
Argentine Federales vs. Unitarios, on Blackboard.

Friday, 15 February **How did Colombian Liberals Adjust?**
Colombian Liberals vs. Conservatives, on Blackboard.

Week 5

Monday, 18 February **How did Mexican Liberals Adjust?**
Reread Chasteen, 95-97, 104-105.
Mexican Liberalism Documents, e-reserves.

Wednesday, 20 February **Why did the political turmoil matter? An Economic Perspective.**
Coatsworth, "Obstacles to Economic Growth."

Friday, 21 February **How did Mexico Recover?**
Wasserman, pp. 93-157.

Section 3. Export Booms and Busts (weeks 6-7)

Week 6

Monday, 25 February **How did Latin America Boom?**
Reread Chasteen, pp. 149-211.
Glade, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 27 February **How did Mexico Boom?**
Wasserman, pp. 161-232.

Friday, 1 March **What was the Downside? I**
Burns, *The Poverty of Progress*, pp. 1-85.

Paper Bibliographies are due by 5 pm. Remember to include a title page.

Week 7

Monday, 4 March **What was the Downside? II**
Burns, *The Poverty of Progress*, pp. 86-154.

Wednesday, 6 March **Why didn't the boom translate into long term economic advance?**
Barham & Coomes, on JStor.

Friday, 8 March **EXAM**

Section 4. National Development 1914-47 (weeks 8-9)

Week 8

Monday, 11 March **How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Imperialism**
Reread Chasteen, "Nationalism."
Smith, "Gospel of Democracy," on e-reserve.
Schultz, "Dollar Diplomacy" and "Continuing to Help," on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 13 March **How and Why did Latin America Change Direction?
Revolution**

Mexican Revolution, on e-reserve.

Friday, 15 March **How and Why did Latin America Change Direction?
Mobilization**

"The Urban Working Class," on blackboard.

Source Assignment Due in Class.

Spring Break, 17 March to 1 April

Week 9

Monday, 1 April **How did thinking change in Latin America? I**

Stepan, *Hour of Eugenics*, on blackboard.

Wednesday, 3 April **How did thinking change in Latin America? II**

Rodo on wikipedia & e-mail.

Da Cunha on wikipedia & on blackboard.

Friday, 5 April **How did thinking change in Latin America? III**

The Cosmic Race.

Week 10

Monday, 8 April **What was the Impact of the Great Depression?**

Kindleberger, on e-reserve.

Diaz-Alejandro, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 10 April **Who were the Populists?**

Wolfe, "Populism and Developmentalism," on e-reserve.

Friday, 12 April **What were the effects of populist policies?**

Maddison, on e-reserve.

Argument Summaries are Due.

Section 5. National Development 1947-1990 (weeks 11-14)

Week 11

Monday, 15 April **How did the Cold War Change Things? Round 1.**

Bethell & Roxborough, on JStor.

Wednesday, 17 April **In this Context, how could Cuba go Communist?**

Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. xi-38.

Friday, 19 April **What was the impact?**

Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 39-109.

Week 12

Monday, 22 April **What was the impact of Cuban Revolution?**

Reread Chasteen, "Revolution."

Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 111-147.

Wednesday, 24 April **How did elites react?**

Reread Chasteen, "Reaction."

Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 149-164.

Friday, 26 April

Introductions are Due. Remember to include a title page and your previous stages.

Week 13

Monday, 29 April **What did the Reaction Look Like? The Southern Cone**

Children of Cain, 77-141, 331-388.

Wednesday, 1 May **What did the Reaction Look Like? Central America**

Children of Cain, 217-272.

Friday, 3 May

What about Colombia?

Children of Cain, 23-76.

Week 14

Monday, 6 May **Is Nicaragua an exceptional case?**

Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 165-185.

Children of Cain, pp. 273-329.

Wednesday, 8 May **What has Happened Since?**

Latin America since the Cold War, on Blackboard.

Friday, 10 May

Conclusion and Review

Tuesday, 14 May **Final Exam at 9 AM. Final Draft is Due. Remember to include a title page and all the previous stages that I have looked at.**